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Ford, “Boycott is officially over”

According to *The State Paper* (25 February 2010), Robert Ford, a Democratic candidate for governor, said that the NAACP’s boycott over the Confederate Flag on SC Statehouse grounds is over. According to the article, “Ford cited an upcoming religious convention in Columbia, where 12,000 Methodists from three different branches of the church are meeting. The NAACP has not discouraged the meeting.” According to Ford, “The fact that these black (Methodist) churches will come here and spend millions of dollars simply means the NAACP’s boycott is officially over. So we can invite the NCAA tournament back.”

The NAACP was quick to respond to Ford’s proclamation. Rev. Mickey James, president of the Myrtle Beach branch of the NAACP, told *The Post and Courier* that “The only people who can abolish the boycott are those on the national board in Baltimore.” Of course, Senator Ford does not speak for the NAACP, but his declaration is, *de facto*, indisputable. If Benedict College and the City of Columbia do not recognize the boycott (See *Palmetto Partisan*, February 2010) and the black churches cited above do not view it as a barrier to having their convention here, of what force is it?

Although it is understandable that Ford and others want the boycott to end, his views on the matter are not simply driven by the bottom line. Senator Ford, unlike his adversaries, is actively involved in encouraging respect and mutual toleration. This

maverick African-American Senator endorses a policy of genuine understanding and tolerance—something that his adversaries in the NAACP apparently cannot understand. The following is extracted from Senator Ford’s web site, www.robertfordforgovernor.com:

African-Americans aren’t the only people on this planet. Therefore, it makes no sense for anyone not to try to understand his fellow man. In the South, we have our white brothers and sisters and some of them embrace and love their Confederate heritage just as much as African-Americans embrace and love their ties to African cultures.

In South Carolina and the other Southern states the heritage of some white people is centered on the Confederacy. As a black person and a black senator, who wants to be a great state senator, not to work with white senators who embrace the Confederacy is ridiculous and makes no sense. When you take into account my exposure to the non-violent direction action philosophy it is unimaginable for me to turn my back on anyone, no matter who they might be.

In the South Carolina General Assembly there are 46 senators and 124 state house members. In the Senate there are only nine black senators and in the State House there are 26 African Americans. Now how can any of the African-American legislators be successful if they don’t try to work with their white counterparts and men and women who embrace the Confederacy?

Speaking of the Confederacy and slavery, I must point out that in 1816 a black man named Denmark



State Senator Robert Ford has represented district 42 in Charleston for the past 16 years. In 2008 he was reelected with 75% of the vote and is known for his ability to forge coalitions across party lines especially with his longtime friend Senator Glenn McConnell.

Vesey bought his freedom after he won a large amount of money in the lottery in Charleston. Once Vesey became a free man one of the first things he did was to purchase slaves. At one point, Vesey had 51 slaves working for him. As you know, Vesey led a failed slave revolt and was hanged in 1822.

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The Battle Flag as token of Reconciliation

In dramatic circumstances we find ourselves now. Our enemies try to make the world believe the battle flag is the symbol of racial hate and prejudice of every kind. And we are fighting for survival of the South as a Christian nation. But there is hope. Reconciliation in the spirit of Christ and preserving what the battle flag stands for is possible. Stories of peaceful convivial and true reconciliation come from far away. In Europe several “grand bargains” have sealed peace and mutual understanding among its peoples. Despite the fact that the European Union is seeking today very much the same what the Jacobin-Yankee movement did in the 1830’s to 60’s and it is moved by the same wicked moral principles, several European states can show mutual friendship moved by another form of union: Christian brotherhood and mutual respect.

During an international meeting of politicians, diplomats and clergymen in the Cloister Andechs, Bavaria, Germany, in autumn 2008, Bishop Laszlo Nemeth of Hungary stated that reconciliation of men will last only in the spirit of Christianity. The lack of that spirit is the main cause of the situation we have at hand, and why our enemies are so successful in the gradual reduction of Christian values in America and the elimination of many cornerstones the Republic was founded upon and the Confederate soldier fought to defend. SCV past Chaplain-in-Chief Allister C. Anderson stated during his memorable 1999 Arlington speech: “*The anti-Southern and anti-Confederate demagoguery we witness today among bigoted people can be traced directly to our entire nation’s abandonment of moral standards*”. That’s the very essence of all the troubles!

The Consul of Poland in Munich said Christian reconciliation of Germany and France and their friendship



Eckhard von Borcke and the Polish Mayor of Gyzin, the Battle Flag being held as token of friendship. Mutual remembrance of the Confederate service of Heros von Borcke served as symbol of reconciliation for German and Polish people.

after 1945 served as a great guide for the Polish people today. Poland and Germany have been confronted since World War II because of Nazi crimes against Polish people during the war and then the abominable atrocities against the eastern German population at the end of the war, resulting in more than a million German civilians killed and several millions displaced as refugees in the West. Twenty years after the end of the Cold War real friendship has not grown between the two peoples. To find a common way of reconciliation, the Polish Consul stated, means to overcome prejudice of ignorance, to detoxicate the minds from hate and to heal bad memories in mutual good will by trust in Christ. Can we achieve that again in America? So much prejudice and hate instead of good will in the minds of our enemy makes it not very probable. With only a bit of decent good will, the *Great Bargain* of mutual respect could be again achieved within a decade or less. But the forces of the enemy have not such an attitude. Cultural conquest and annihilation of Christianity are the goals they pursue. They have been active since the first decades of the 19th century. Now they’re getting ready for the deathblow.

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A businessman in the metals industry for 35 years, I have seen, first hand, many ups and downs in the US and global economies. We've weathered a few recessions and enjoyed some profitable years when business conditions bounced back. The last few years since 2006, however, have demonstrated one of the most challenging and difficult periods for manufacturing since the *Great Depression* and collapse of 1929. The volatility of commodity metals in the international market has taken its toll on many of my competitors, even resulting in some closing their doors. But fortunately we are still here and perhaps stronger than ever.

Why? With all this change occurring around the globe how is it that my company has done well? Good question and here's the answer. We stopped doing some things the way we did in the past and developed a new strategy to cope with the changing economic climate. It's not that we are so much smarter or wiser, and we didn't attempt to reinvent the wheel, but we did realize that the changes occurring in the world markets required us to "rethink" how we approached business and how we manage our risk. So, with some minor, yet bold, changes in our methods of conducting business, we were successful in staying ahead of the competition and moved forward in the changing global business cycle.

This is what we must do in the SCV if we are to survive the culture war and the vitriolic attacks of our opponents; and trust me - they're not going to ease up in the future. Much has changed since the centennial of the WBTS 50 years ago and the world is less friendly to the Southern way of life, our culture, and our ideals now than it was then.

In order to strengthen our position and role of influence, the South Carolina Division has established some bold initiatives for the sesquicentennial. Included in these plans are the "Secession Signers Monument", the Palmetto series and Sesquicentennial series coin fund raiser, and the Educational Sponsorship program for school children.

These programs are somewhat daring but the rewards can be huge to the SCV and can enable us to take on the challenges we face in the future with the financial resources we will need in order to make a difference for Southern heritage. It's not just about money, but all should realize it will take some major funding to protect our Confederate Heritage in the days and years to come.

We've been able to help the Confederate Relic Room with the Preservation of several SC Unit regimental flags and if our coin sales are as successful as we hope they will be, we can easily see that all the remaining flags are preserved and given to the people of the State of South Carolina as our gift for the sesquicentennial. And that, my brothers, should make a lasting mark and impression for years to come.

Albert Einstein once said, "*The definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results*".

Well, that's not us; we're doing something new. Nevertheless, our objective remains the same: defend the Confederate soldier's good name "so that the true history of the South is presented to future generations." Now, however, we must mount an offensive and take the high ground for the sesquicentennial. This is a "make it, or break it" period for the SCV.

Do what you can to help make our funding and educational initiatives a success. Get involved, buy a coin set if you can, sponsor a classroom with SCV supported educational materials, and buy a granite paver to support the signers monument. Beyond that, help us market the projects by telling your family, friends, neighbors and co-workers that they too can make in difference in Southern heritage for years to come.

2010 South Carolina Division Convention

By Ron York

The 2010 South Carolina Division Convention was hosted by the Pee Dee Rifles Camp in Florence, SC on March 26-27. It was a grand event celebrating our Confederate heritage and things of the past as well as embracing the future and the challenges that lay ahead. The theme for the convention was 'In God We Trust' which was taken from the image used on the cover of the convention program. It was a painting by Don Troiani entitled 'First National'.

The convention medal was patterned after the 1923 UCV State Reunion Medal. It was a nostalgic tribute to our Confederate forefathers of South Carolina. The medal is an antique gold shield with a Battle Flag at its center with appropriate wording for the occasion to include dates and location. It also had a five inch red and white ribbon attached to the back to add an additional flare of color.

On Friday Night, delegates and guests were greeted at the Country Inn and Suites to an early registration social event. Refreshments were provided by the ladies of the South Carolina Order of the Confederate Rose. The Florence War Between the States Museum also held an open house which welcomed many out of town guests.

The convention site was the Southeastern Institute of Manufacturing Technology located behind the campus of Florence Darlington Technical College on US52 in Florence. Delegates were greeted to this new state of the art facility by a giant computer screen scrolling images of Generals from South Carolina and playing period music. A dazzling array of nearly seventy flags hung from the second story balcony bringing a splash of color to the foyer.

Once inside the convention center, attendees were able to peruse the many vendors attempting to sell their wares. All vendors had a prominent place to display their merchandise. Vendors included several SCV Camps from across the Division and merchants from near and far. There were even two ladies that drove all the way from Alabama to be with us.

The convention hall was decorated with a large 10x15 ft First National Flag supplied by Ruffin Flag Company. The flag was chosen to coordinate with the cover of the convention program. The stage was flanked by two period frock coats - one a Lt Colonel of Staff and the other a Captain of the Darlington Guards, a local militia unit. Six giant screens dropped down from the ceiling around the room providing power point displays as well as live streaming video from the podium. There truly was not a bad seat in the house!

As an added bonus, many period artifacts were on display in the convention hall. Two of the recently conserved flags from the Confederate Relic Room were brought down and put on display. One of the two was the original Pee Dee Rifle's flag which came home for the first time in many decades. Ted Gragg of the South Carolina Civil War Museum was there displaying artifacts recovered from the CSS Pee Dee, a cruiser built and scuttled at the Confederate Navy Yard in Marion.

Opening Ceremonies began at 9am with a word of prayer. Uniformed re-enactors from the Harlee Guard provided an honor guard which enhanced the overall atmosphere as they marched in to music from a drum and fife. A color guard of re-enactors from the Stafford Militia led the procession of camp flags into the convention hall. After the pledges and salutes, delegates were greeted by local and state politicians to include Mayor Steven Wukela (D) of Florence and State Senator Lawrence Grooms (R). Other greetings came from the UDC, COC, OCR as well as various SCV members to include, ANV, AOT, ATM and our national Commander-in-Chief Chuck McMichael.

After the greetings were concluded, control of the convention was handed over to Commander Randy Burbage as he conducted the business affairs of the Division. One of the major business items of the day was elections for the next two year term. Mark Simpson was elected as Commander, Leland Summers was elected as Lt Commander and ten Brigade Commanders were elected. All of these officers were sworn in by Commander-in-Chief McMichael.

Our guest speaker was Dr. Lawrence Babits of East Carolina University. He had a very interesting program with power point slides covering the topic of Naval Ordnance. He is also part of the underwater archeology team which will recover the guns of the CSS Pee Dee later this year.

There were 250 delegates and guests in attendance for the convention. It was an overall success and one to go down into the history books. The men of the Pee Dee Rifles are to be commended for their hard work. The folks of the Secession Camp in Charleston have a high bar to reach as they host the 2011 convention.

South Carolina Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans 2010 Camp Award Recipients

By David Rentz

M. C. BUTLER RECRUITING AWARD, 2010

1st. Place Sandlapper Level	Colonel E.T. Stackhouse Camp 1576
1st. Place Palmetto Level	Brigadier General Barnard E. Bee Camp 1575
1st. Place Dixie Level	Fort Sumter Camp 1269
2nd. Place Sandlapper Level	General John Bratton Camp 1816
2nd. Place Palmetto Level	Colonel Olin M. Dantzler Camp 73
2nd. Place Dixie Level	H.L. Hunley Camp 143

AMBROSE GONZALES NEWSLETTER AWARD, PRINTED, 2010

1st. Place Sandlapper Level	General Joe Wheeler Camp 1245
1st. Place Palmetto Level	Col. Henry Laurens Benbow Camp 859
1st. Place Dixie Level	Lt. General Wade Hampton Camp 273
2nd. Place Palmetto Level	Joseph B. Kershaw Camp 82 - The Long Roll
2nd. Place Dixie Level	Rivers Bridge Camp 842 - The Bridge

AMBROSE GONZALES NEWSLETTER AWARD, ELECTRONIC 2010

1st Place Palmetto Level	Captain Moses Wood Camp 125 - The Rebel Yell
1st Place Dixie	Secession Camp 4 - The Sentinel
2nd Place Palmetto Level	Litchfield - The Litchfield Independent
2nd Place Dixie Level	H.L Hunley #143 - The Blue Lantern
Honorable - Palmetto	Colonel Joseph Norton Camp 45 - Col. Joseph Norton Camp #45 Newsletter
	Moultrie Camp 27 - The Crescent
Honorable - Dixie	Palmetto Sharpshooters Camp 1428 - The Palmetto Sharpshooter

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THE FIELD PULPIT

Ken Temples
SC Division Chaplain



Greetings Gentlemen,

I consider it an honor and privilege to serve as your new Division Chaplain and I am looking forward to building relationships with as many of you as possible. I also want to thank outgoing Chaplain Ed Westbury for his many fine contributions over the years. I have learned much from observing him.

One of the memories of my childhood is when we went to visit my Granny Pearl, my father's mother. She lived in a big farm house in the country near the Monetta area. I spent many nights there and even used her outhouse a time or two. But the thing that really stuck with me was how in the wintertime she would have the house so hot that we would all have to take off our coats and then some, to keep from burning up. But there she sat wearing her sweater with the coal heater glowing. We always took our coats and things to the back bedroom where on the walls were photos of a bunch of old folks. One photo directly over the bed was a man with a long beard and hat. I asked my father who he was and my



dad told me, "Son that is your Great Great Grandfather Emanuel Sanders. He was a Confederate soldier." From that day on I always wanted to know more about my family, especially Emanuel. So I later researched the Sanders family and found that above everything else they were respected throughout their little township as a God fearing family and a generous provider to those in need. They taught Sunday school and held meetings in their home to spiritually feed those that would come. I have inherited a rich Confederate heritage but even more so a rich Christian heritage. 1Peter: 3-4, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you." For me to truly emulate my Confederate ancestor I must first emulate his Christian life. I hope you will do the same.

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WHERE WE STAND

J. Howard Chalmers
SC Division Adjutant

The South Carolina Division continues to lead our Confederation, and we remain on solid financial footing. We added two new Camps in 2009, bringing our total to 70. Of our approximately 3000 members in good standing, we have 429 Life Members and 1 Real Son! If you are interested in joining the ranks of Life Membership in the South Carolina Division, your \$200 contribution is put into an endowment fund that is not used for operational expenses of the Division but grows untouched so that we can continue to fulfill our Charge long into the future.

We are currently preparing for the 2010 installment of the Membership Renewal System (MRS). This will be the fifth year that we have used this tool, put in place to assist Camp Adjutants in their efforts to ensure that compatriots renew their memberships in a timely fashion. All current members, as well as those compatriots who are one year delinquent, will receive a billing statement in the mail. It is important to note that you should return your statement along with your dues to your Camp Adjutant as soon as possible. The more quickly we get those turned around, the sooner we can return to the business of preserving the history of our ancestors!

Also included in the MRS are five opportunities for additional giving. I encourage each of you to support one or more of the worthwhile programs at the Division level. We have major plans for the Sesquicentennial, but we need help from our members to accomplish those goals. If your passion is preservation, then give to the Flag Restoration project; if you want to ensure that the true history of the South is presented to future generations, then make a donation to the JROTC H.L.

Hunley Awards program. We will continue to stand firm on Heritage Defense, and we need financial resources in order to do so. You can also upgrade to a Life Membership or contribute additional money to your own Camp through the MRS. Please carefully consider contributing to advance *The Charge*.

Please keep your contact information current, including your mailing address, phone numbers, and email address. In our last mailing, we had approximately 100 pieces returned due to bad addresses. We have a new Deputy Division Adjutant, Ricky Badger of the Wade Hampton Camp, who is doing everything in his power to get up to date information and to ensure that our data is formatted correctly, but there is no substitute for proof-reading your roster and alerting him of necessary changes. Your Camp Adjutant has access to both Division and National rosters for your Camp. Check this information to ensure that it is up to date.

Thank you for your confidence and your continued cooperation as Deputy Adjutant Badger and I work to improve our processes, manage the membership programs of the Division, and serve you and your Camps. The South Carolina Division continues to lead the Confederation in efforts to guard our history and to protect the Confederate Soldier's good name. Our ability to lead is directly dependent on the generosity of the Camps and individuals in the S.C. Division: your time, effort, and money make the difference.



MUSTER

Leland Summers
SC Division Lt. Commander

March 27, 2010 was a very exciting day for me and one that I will not soon forget. Not only was it my 54th birthday but it was the day that you elected me to be your Lieutenant Commander. I am eager about the opportunities that lie before us. I applaud the other two candidates for this office for maintaining a positive upbeat campaign. I express gratitude to Compatriot Don Gordon for his service to us over the past two years as our Lieutenant Commander. Compatriot Frank Berry will not rest until he sees that we get every South Carolina Confederate grave registered. Each one of us should be involved in this significant project. As your Lieutenant Commander I want to serve you and your camp. I have listed my contact information below so I can keep an open door with you. I want to know your comments, suggestions, and concerns. I need to know what works for you so that we may share it with other camps in our division.

During my campaign, I utilized our division website (www.scscev.com) as my primary resource for making contact with SC Camps. In doing so, I discovered that some of the information pertaining to names and contact information for camp officers and camp meeting times/dates/locations was incorrectly listed. I wanted to find out why? What I discovered was that in most cases, camps had not submitted the updates to our division adjutant. As your division mustering marshal, I will be using this website as a recruiting tool. Therefore, it is vital that it be updated as changes occur. I ask that each camp designate an officer to go to this website once per month to review the information posted about your camp. If there are changes, please notify Adjutant Chalmers at chalmers.scv@gmail.com and myself at scltcommand@yahoo.com. Another effective recruiting tool is to set up an information booth at local festivals and events in your community. This gives you opportunities to exhibit positive public relations about our "Historical Honor Society" and educate others on the "True History of the South". It also provides you with the chance to see and talk with potential recruits face to face. If your camp does a booth, please let me know. If my schedule permits, I may be able to attend and give you a hand. If you should need applications or recruiting flyers, let me know.

As I promised you in March, I am already working on updating the SC Division's Speaker's Bureau. Shortly each Brigade Commander will receive worksheets to distribute to their camps. I ask that each camp identify the six most meaningful camp programs that you have had during the past twelve months. Brigade Commanders will collect this information and turn it over to me. Once I have this information, I will compile it in booklet form for distribution to each camp lieutenant commander. Effective programs are a means for providing improved attendance to meetings. Improved attendance provides for more compatriot involvement. Increased involvement equals a stronger camp. In reference to camp programs, so that I may walk the walk, I am in the process of developing a new one myself. It is entitled *You, Your Camp, and the SCV*. As soon as I complete it, I will let all know. I hope that your camp will give me a chance to present it at a future meeting.

As we embark upon our sesquicentennial anniversary it is essential that we maintain a unified front. Our ancestors proved that there is strength in numbers.

No doubt those who neither understand our true history nor have the desire to learn it will attack us at every opportunity. Their fire will be fueled by a liberal media. But our fire must burn brighter, stronger, and longer. We cannot afford to furl our beloved banner or what it stands for.

Being a Compatriot in the Sons of Confederate Veterans-especially in South Carolina requires much more than just attending meetings once per month or participating in an occasional memorial service. What have you done lately to imitate the merits of your Confederate ancestor? What have you done to be accountable for those ethics that he cherished and which we also cherish? What have you done to see that the true history of the South is taught to future generations? We must STAND AND DELIVER just like our ancestor did. Only this time we will use our hearts, souls, and minds in the place of the musket, cannon and sword. Our ancestors depend on us. The future of the Sons of Confederate Veterans depends on us.

They shall not be forgotten.



IN MEMORIAM

JOHN H. HARRIS
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ASSOCIATE EDITOR
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Sesquicentennial — All Aboard!

Celebrating 150 Years of Southern Pride

Ben Bunting
Chairman, Sesquicentennial
Education Sub-Committee



Educational Tools Now Available

The sesquicentennial is going to provide many challenges to our organization unlike any we have faced up to this point. Our biggest challenge will be presenting the true history of the South. We will be challenged from many different groups and organizations that want nothing more than for us to disappear. Our true history will need to be defended at all levels of our society but more

important is the sharing of our history with the youth of our communities. I don't think I will be here for the bicentennial of the War Between the States but I know most of our youth will be. Our children and theirs will be the ones to bear this burden fifty years from now. If we don't succeed now we only face the reality that no one will have this opportunity again.

The division has conceived a plan to get the true history of our ancestors' involvement in the War Between the States delivered to the school children of our state by creating and providing history lesson kits based upon the 34 significant events that took place in South Carolina. These significant events are addressed in a brochure that has been created by the division. Each significant event will have a classroom kit or package developed for elementary, middle school and high school age students. The division developed sesquicentennial brochure has directions for educators to contact and receive lesson packages on each event. These lesson packages will be provided to them free of charge. Each package will come with a teacher's guide and handouts for each student. The lessons within will be sourced, referenced and beyond reproach. Much of the info presented has not been seen in public school books for decades. Also there will be a website for the general public to access and read the history of these events as well. This endeavor will be the basis of our state's War Between the States history archived for future generations.

Now what can we as individual division members do for this project? Help us to finance this worthy project with donations. We have a sponsorship program which with a donation of \$20 you will sponsor one child's

contents of the lesson package. For a donation of \$50 you will sponsor an entire classroom with the contents of the lesson package. Even better is with a donation \$300 you will sponsor the history department of an entire school with the contents of the lesson packages. For each sponsorship package you will receive a South Carolina Division Sesquicentennial tee shirt for your generosity. Brigade Commanders will be able to provide sponsorship envelopes with shirt ordering information. If you have any questions about this program please contact me at f58905@knology.net or call me at 843-200-7561.

Remember it is "our duty" to present the true history of the South.



It's NOW or NEVER!

We reach the children **NOW** at the Sesquicentennial or we lose another generation to political correctness, historical revisionism and outright lies.

YOU and only **YOU** will make the difference. The SC Division's special Sesqui T-shirt is your opportunity to make a **BIG** difference for one child, one classroom or even an entire elementary school.

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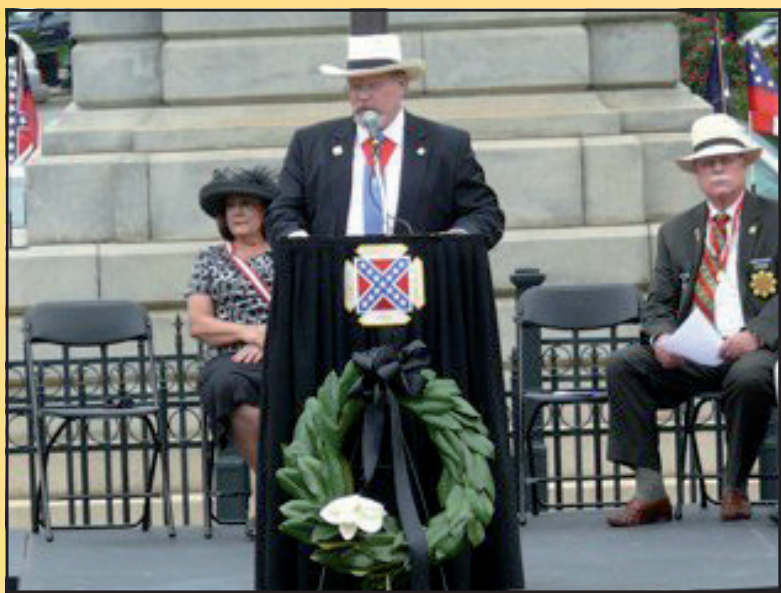
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The kids are ready for our message!
Will you help them see and hear it?

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Confederate Memorial Day in Columbia, May 1, 2010

By Bob Slimp



Although the Sons of Confederate Veterans and United Daughters of the Confederacy have many memorial services in South Carolina close to the official Confederate Memorial Day on May 10th, The South Carolina Division of the SCV in recent years has observed their Memorial Day on the first Saturday in May because so many re-enactors are participating at nearby Sandy Run in the annual "Battle For Columbia, sponsored by the Lt. General Wade Hampton Camp #273.

The celebration this year actually began on Friday, April 30, with the reading of the 17,000 plus names of South Carolina heroes who fell in battle during the War for Southern Independence. This event continued until the early morning of Saturday, May 1st.



On Saturday, beginning at 10 o'clock the Mary Boykin Chestnut Chapter of the UDC was in charge of a beautiful ceremony which is annually held at Elmwood Cemetery in Columbia, where more heroes are buried than at any other one cemetery in the Columbia area. .

The Ceremony was called to order by Mrs. Betty Platt, 2nd Vice President of the Mary Boykin Chestnut Chapter. This was followed by the presentation of the colors and the salutes to the flags of the United States, South Carolina, and the Confederate States of America.

Mrs. Platt than read the very appropriate prayer composed by Episcopal Bishop Ellison Capers of South Carolina. This prayer is part of the official



memorial observance of the UDC. Bishop Capers was a Citadel graduate, and during the War served in the Confederate Army as an infantry officer, rising in rank from Captain to Brigadier General, while serving with great valor.

Mrs. Platt introduced guests and speakers. The following ones gave greetings from the platform. They were Mrs. Nita Keisler, incoming President of the Mary Boykin Chestnut Chapter, UDC, Mrs. Angela Cox, President of the Wade Hampton Chapter, UDC, Mrs. Edie Purvis, of the Columbia Chapter of the UDC, Mrs. Retta Tindal, President of the South Carolina Chapter of the UDC. Also represented were the President of the Children of the Confederacy, Mr. Josh Herron, and Mr. Cody Harris, 2nc Vice President of the C of the C. South Carolina Division Commander, Mark Simpson represented the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Joseph Payne represented the Military Order of the Stars and Bars, and Colonel Claude Simpson, Commandeer of the Palmetto Battalion of Re-Enactors. Mr. Joe Payne in his remarks, quoted President Jefferson saying, "I loved the Union and the Constitution, but we were right to leave the Union, when it left the Constitution, which it did."

The keynote speaker for the Elmwood Ceremony event was Mrs. Krissy Dunn Johnson, Curator of History for the Confederate Relic Room. Her address was based on the truth of the cause for which our heroes fought. She pointed out that our Confederate States came into being based on the original Constitution which created the Federal Government by the consent and action of the several states. She challenged us never to be afraid of our opponents and only tell the truth about the men in grey and their righteous cause. She also said that the war was not fought over slavery, but States' Rights. The Union had trampled the Constitution under foot and the Lincoln government was determined to strengthen the Union and reduce the states to mere geographical locations, with little self government and left without the power to redress their grievances ". She received thunderous applause.

After the speakers, the band played a medley of Southern songs followed by all assembled lustily singing "Dixie".

One of the most memorable events of the Memorial Ceremony was the placing of the wreath on the tomb of the Unknown Confederate Soldier.

This ceremony took place with President Tin-

dal, Commander Mark Simpson, and President Josh Herron and Cody Harris all participating in the laying of the wreath.

This was followed by a rifle salute by the Palmetto Battalion and the sounding of "Tattoo" by re-enactor bugler Roy Cloinger and "Taps." A closing prayer and the Retiring of the Colors ended this very worthwhile event.



Following the Elmwood ceremony, the Palmetto Battalion began its march from the cemetery to the State House so that all would be in place for the noon SCV sponsored event. The State House meeting was called to order by Division Chaplain Ken Temples. Following his invocation, a truly excellent band, named "The Original Bluegrass," played and sang "I am the man, Thomas". Commander Mark Simpson called Attention and ordered the presentation of the Colors, after which Commander Simpson read the traditional "Charge" by General Stephen Dill Lee. Chaplain Temples introduced the distinguished guests, who then brought greetings from their respective groups. Commander Simpson said we were here to honor the 17,000 plus men who gave their lives for South Carolina, their families, homes and the principles for which

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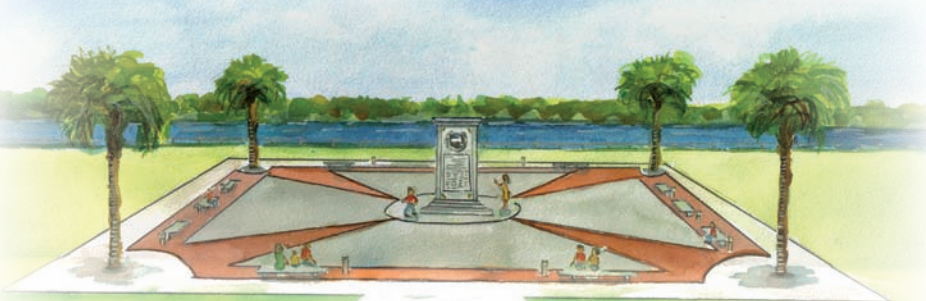
170 men, chosen by a special state-wide election, carefully and deliberately decided on December 20, 1860, that South Carolina would secede from the Union. The South Carolina Secession Convention was unanimous in its decision, and each elected delegate signed the Ordinance of Secession.

These men were the first to say **"no more!"** to an increasingly overbearing federal government. The South Carolina Division will erect an impressive monument to the memory of these patriots in the Charleston area during the Sesquicentennial. Your help is needed, and you can be part of this major project. There are several ways for Camps, individuals, and businesses to memorialize a signer, an ancestor, a Camp namesake, a Camp, a family, or an individual.

For more info contact:

Albert Jackson 803-854-3986
Robert Roper, III 864-923-2952

Watch for our display table at the National Reunion in July



We intend to recognize descendants of signers at the monument dedication. Please contact us if your ancestor is a signer.

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1.	Secession	Charleston - Camp Number 0004 (10th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Tuesday (eat 6:30) meet 7:30pm	MEETING PLACE: Knights of Pythias , 1820 Belgrade Ave.	COMMANDER: Edward Moon	H: (828) 342-7475	W:	E: ecmoon3@gmail.com
2.	Jefferson Davis	Easley - Camp Number 0007 (1st Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Tuesday, 6:30pm	MEETING PLACE: George s Creek Community Center, 2306 Saluda Dam Road - Easley	COMMANDER: William Nabors	H: (864) 878-3477	W:	E: keoweel@nctv.com
3.	Palmetto	Columbia - Camp Number 0022 (6th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Tuesday, 6:30pm	MEETING PLACE: Maurice's BBQ (Piggy Park), 1600 Charleston Hwy, West Columbia	COMMANDER: James White	H: (803) 210-7946	W: (803) 463-6300	E: whiteboy58@gmail.com
4.	Marion	Marion - Camp Number 0024 (7th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 4th Thursday 7:00pm	*MEETING PLACE: Garden Alley Rest, 313 S. Main-Mullins Dinner 6:30, Meeting at 7:00	COMMANDER: Charles McRae	H: (843) 464-8012	W:	E: cmcrae55@aol.com
5.	Moultrie Camp	Mt. Pleasant - Camp Number 0027 (10th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Thursday 6:45pm	MEETING PLACE: The Point, 176 Patriot's Point Rd., Mt. Pleasant	COMMANDER: Richard Steadman	H: (843) 881-3049	W: (843) 529-1100	E: steadmanr@bellsouth.net
6.	Private Thomas E. Caldwell	York - Camp Number 0031 (3rd Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Thursday 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: McCelvey Historical Center, 212 E. Jefferson St., York	COMMANDER: William Stevens	H: (704) 825-6110	W: (704) 376-0717	E:
7.	John M. Kinard	Newberry - Camp Number 0035 (6th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 1st Wednesday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Diane's Stable Steak House - 111 Grace St., Prosperity	COMMANDER: Robert Galloway	H: (803) 781-3839	W: (803) 935-5485	E: bgalloway7@sc.rr.com
8.	16th Regt., South Carolina Volunteers	Greenville - Camp Number 0036 (2nd Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 4th Thursday 6:30pm -except Nov. and Dec.	*MEETING PLACE: Phoenix Inn - 246 N. Pleasantburg Dr., Greenville	COMMANDER: James Bouchillon	H: (864) 967-2340	W: (864) 298-2058	E: SCV16thSC@charter.net
9.	Private John S. Bird, Palmetto Guard	North Charleston - Camp Number 0038 (10th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Thursday, 6:30 p.m.	MEETING PLACE: Brecks Restaurant - Rivers Ave (Hwy 52N)	COMMANDER: Christopher Ross	H: (843) 554-1360	W: (843) 308-4718	E: rossc38@comcast.net
10.	Olde Abbeville	Abbeville - Camp Number 0039 (5th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Monday, 7:00pm	*MEETING PLACE: The Grange Hall, Grange Ave, Hwy 72 Greenwood	COMMANDER: Frank Cook	H: (864) 543-1571	H: (864) 543-1571	E:
11.	Brigadier General Samuel McGowan	Laurens - Camp Number 0040 (2nd Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Tuesday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: McGowan Camp HQ - 115 Calhoun St. (off East Farley) Laurens	COMMANDER: Robert Roper	H: (864) 682-3775	W: (864) 682-4295	E: rhrii7@prtcnet.com
12.	John Thomas Ashley	Honea Path - Camp Number 0043 (1st Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 4th Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.	MEETING PLACE: The Masonic Lodge, Honea Path	COMMANDER: Allen Ashley	H: (864) 296-1275	W: (864) 934-4075	E:
13.	Colonel Joseph Norton	Seneca - Camp Number 0045 (1st Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 1st Tuesday, 6:30pm	MEETING PLACE: Butterbeans, 286 Market St., Seneca	COMMANDER: Harry Mays	H: (864) 972-3629	W: (864) 972-2136	E: harrymays@netzero.net
14.	General Richard H. Anderson	Beaufort - Camp Number 0047 (9th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 1st Monday 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Harmony Masonic Lodge, Depot Road, Beaufort	COMMANDER: Paul Griffin	H: (843) 524-8792	W: (843) 575-1199	E: pgriffin@slc.net
15.	Brigadier General Milledge Luke Bohnam	Saluda - Camp Number 0048 (5th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: No Regular Meeting	MEETING PLACE:	COMMANDER: William Allen	H: (864) 445-9800	W:	E:
16.	15th Regt., South Carolina Volunteers	Lexington - Camp Number 0051 (6th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: Last Thursday, 6:30pm	MEETING PLACE: Porky D's BarBQ - 931 Two Notch Road, Lexington	COMMANDER: Allen Frye	H: (803) 356-5554	W:	E: Commander@15thregtscvols.org
17.	Wee Nee Volunteers	Kingstree - Camp Number 0058 (7th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Monday, 7:00pm (Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec)	MEETING PLACE: Williamsburg Co. Museum; corner of Mill St. & Hampton St. - downtown Kingstree	COMMANDER: Willie Brown	H: (843) 388-2580	W: (843) 382-2156	E: scvcamp58@yahoo.com
18.	Sergeant Adam Washington Ballenger	Spartanburg - Camp Number 0068 (2nd Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Tuesday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Blue Bay Restaurant on Reidville Road in Spartanburg	COMMANDER: William Geen	H: (843) 433-9139	W:	E: wdgeen@csaincsc.com
19.	2nd Regt., South Carolina Volunteers	Pickens - Camp Number 0071 (1st Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 1st Thursday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: American Legion, Haygood St., Pickens	COMMANDER: Danny Brissey	H: (828) 883-4639	W: (828) 384-9135	E: ddbxielb@yahoo.com
20.	Colonel Olin M. Dantzler	Orangeburg - Camp Number 0073 (8th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Thursday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: The Kuckery, 210 Cannon Bridge Rd.Orangeburg	COMMANDER: James Wyrosdick	H: (803) 534-3388	W:	E:
21.	W.E. James	Darlington - Camp Number 0074 (4th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Thursday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Takis Diner, 609 Pearl St., Darlington 843-393-8979	COMMANDER: John Iseman	H: (843) 395-0757	W: (843) 245-3215	E:
22.	Joseph B. Kershaw	Camden - Camp Number 0082 (4th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Thursday 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Camden Seafood Hut, 2538 N. Broad St. Camden	COMMANDER: Gregory Boykin	H: (803) 438-0371	W: (803) 253-4050	E: jawdew@att.net
23.	Walker-Gaston	Chester - Camp Number 0086 (3rd Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Thursday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Summit Food & Spirits Restaurant, 134 Main St., Chester	COMMANDER: Donald Raborn	H: (803) 327-3757	W: (704) 583-5388	E: williammartinraborn@yahoo.com
24.	Col. Donald R. Barton	Branchville - Camp Number 0121 (8th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 1st Tuesday 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Richard's Restaurant, 605 Edward St, Branchville (803) 274-8550	COMMANDER: Gil Myers	H: (803) 245-1769	W: (803) 245-1769	E: Gbranchville@aol.com
25.	Gordon-Capers	St. George - Camp Number 0123 (9th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: Last Monday of the month 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Community Hall St. George	COMMANDER: Daniel Rhode	H: (803) 496-3537	W:	E: scsunbird05@yahoo.com
26.	Captain Moses Wood	Gaffney - Camp Number 0125 (3rd Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Thursday, 6:30pm	MEETING PLACE: The Cherokee Historical and Preservation Society Museum, Gaffney,	COMMANDER: Donald (Mark) Sheppard	H: (864) 936-9169	W: (864) 936-9598	E: mark@thunderhaven.com
27.	Litchfield	Conway - Camp Number 0132 (7th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Tuesday, 6:30pm	MEETING PLACE: Building behind Watson Funeral Home, 2300 Hwy 378, Conway	COMMANDER: Terry Carter	H: (843) 397-2479	W: (843) 448-4451	E: bere02702@yahoo.com
28.	H. L. Hunley	Summerville - Camp Number 0143 (9th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 4th Thursday @ 6:30pm	MEETING PLACE: Summerville Masonic Lodge on Main St. in Summerville next to KFC	COMMANDER: Benjamin Bunting	H: (843) 261-9444	W: (843) 200-7561	E: f58905@nology.net
29.	Major James Lide Coker	Hartsville - Camp Number 0146 (4th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Tuesday, 6:30pm	MEETING PLACE: Hartsville Memorial Library - 147 West College Avenue	COMMANDER: James Turnage	H: (843) 332-4722	W:	E: DANNYMUSKETMAN@roadrunner.com
30.	Lt. General Wade Hampton	Columbia - Camp Number 0273 (6th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: Next to last Thursday, 6:30pm (except Dec.)	MEETING PLACE: Seawall's Restaurant, 1125 Rosewood Dr., Columbia	COMMANDER: Judson Holt	H: (803) 318-2614	W: (803) 264-1130	E: j.d.holt@bsbsc.com
31.	General Paul Quattlebaum	Batesburg-Leesville - Camp Number 0412 (6th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: Last Tuesday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Shealy's BBQ, Leesville	COMMANDER: Danny Kaminer	H: (803) 892-3491	W:	E: dankam@pbcomm.net
32.	Marlboro	Bennettsville - Camp Number 0835 (4th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Thursday at 6:00pm	MEETING PLACE: 300 West Main St., Bennettsville	COMMANDER: Jim Tucker	H: (843) 479-4335	W:	E: ski_king@bellsouth.net
33.	Rivers Bridge	Fairfax - Camp Number 0842 (8th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Tuesday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Barker's Mill mile south of Sycamore on Highway #321	COMMANDER: Peter Boineau	H: (803) 245-0034	W: (803) 245-4347	E:
34.	Colonel Henry Laurens Benbow	Manning - Camp Number 0859 (7th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Tuesday each month- 7:00 p.m.	MEETING PLACE: Council for Aging - Manning	COMMANDER: Albert Jackson	H: (803) 478-3986	W: (803) 854-3986	E: santeedigest@aol.com
35.	Eutaw Regiment	Santee - Camp Number 1189 (8th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Tuesday 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Civic Building - Corner HWY 6 and Hampton St., Elloree	COMMANDER: Andrew Burk	H: (803) 496-3618	W: (803) 496-3344	E: andrewburk760@yahoo.com
36.	General Ellison Capers	Moncks Corner - Camp Number 1212 (10th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Thursday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: The Round Table Restaurant, 515 East Main St., Moncks Corner	COMMANDER: Michael Griffin	H: (843) 747-7480	W:	E: fleavill2001@hotmail.com
37.	General Joe Wheeler	Aiken - Camp Number 1245 (5th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 1st Thursday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Graniteville Leisure Club (Except October and April)	COMMANDER: Lee Duvall	H: (803) 663-3252	W: (803) 279-9121	E: lduvall@atlanticbb.net
38.	Star of the West	Charleston - Camp Number 1253 (10th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 1st Thurs (Sept - April)	MEETING PLACE: Bond Hall, The Citadel, 171 Moultrie St., Charleston	COMMANDER: Henry Dominick	H: (803) 271-2878	W:	E: dominickh1@citadel.edu
39.	Fort Sumter	Charleston - Camp Number 1269 (10th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Thursday (irregular)	MEETING PLACE: Charleston Club, East Bay St., Charleston	COMMANDER: Robert Mikell	H:	W:	E: rmikell@aol.com
40.	Pee Dee Rifles	Florence - Camp Number 1419 (7th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 4th Monday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Shoneys near Magnolia Mall	COMMANDER: James York	H: (843) 661-0585	W:	E: randtyork@earthlink.net
41.	Palmetto Sharpshooters	Anderson - Camp Number 1428 (1st Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Thursday, 6:30pm (Except December)	MEETING PLACE: Fuddruckers Restaurant, Clemson blvd. & I-85 - Anderson	COMMANDER: Jim Whiteside	H: (864) 332-4748	W:	E: jim.whiteside@charter.net:
42.	Witherspoon/Barnes	Lancaster - Camp Number 1445 (4th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Tuesday, 6:30pm	MEETING PLACE: Captain's Galley Restaurant, 1305 Hwy 9 Bypass West, Lancaster	COMMANDER: Roy Cloninger	H: (803) 286-5584	W: (803) 804-1787	E: SCVCamp1445.Cmdr@gmail.com
43.	General States Rights Gist	West Springs - Camp Number 1451 (3rd Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 1st Sunday, 3:00pm	MEETING PLACE: West Springs Community Center, Hwy 215, West Springs	COMMANDER: Joel Foster	H: (864) 574-2023	W:	E: fosterj@spart6.org
44.	General P.G.T. Beauregard	Sumter - Camp Number 1458 (4th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 1st Tuesday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: The Ramada Inn, 226 N. Washington St., Sumter (Buffet Meal)	COMMANDER: James Rawls	H: (803) 773-0888	W:	E: stanrxman@hotmail.com
45.	Brigadier General Martin W. Gary	Edgefield - Camp Number 1532 (5th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 1st Thursday, 7:00pm (except Dec.)	MEETING PLACE: Oakley Park, Main St. Behind Nat'l Guard Bldg., Edgefield	COMMANDER: Thomas Plowden	H:	W:	E: tlap@integrity.com
46.	General Basil W. Duke	Greer - Camp Number 1539 (2nd Brigade)	MEETING TIME:	MEETING PLACE:	COMMANDER: Duke Stern	H: (864) 670-9052	W:	E: dhordstern@aol.com
47.	Battery White	Georgetown - Camp Number 1568 (7th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Thursday of the month 6:30 p.m	MEETING PLACE: Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept & Nov., Georgetown VFW	COMMANDER: Vernon Parker	H: (843) 546-3059	W:	E: lkparker@sccocast.net
48.	Brigadier General Micah Jenkins	Rock Hill - Camp Number 1569 (3rd Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Tuesday, 7:00pm	*MEETING PLACE: Mayflower Seafood Restaurant 2124 Celanese Rd - Dinner at 6 pm	COMMANDER: James Floyd	H: (803) 324-3532	W:	E:
49.	Brigadier General Barnard E. Bee	Aiken - Camp Number 1575 (5th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Thursday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Bobby's BBQ, 1897 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Warrenville	COMMANDER: Ronald Jones	H: (803) 279-5293	W: (803) 279-9803	E: BOACdr09@aol.com
50.	Colleton Rangers	Walterboro - Camp Number 1643 (9th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 4th Tuesday, 7:30pm (except Dec.)	MEETING PLACE: Unity Lodge #55 A.F.M., 35 Trevor Dr., Walterboro	COMMANDER: William Hemdon	H: (843) 538-4498	W:	E:
51.	William H. Duncan/Hagoods Brigade	Barnwell - Camp Number 1650 (8th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 1st Tuesday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Museum behind Library, Hagood & Marlboro Aves., Barnwell	COMMANDER: H. Morris	H: (803) 541-7504	W:	E: yenome@hughes.net
52.	Sergeant Berry Benson	North Augusta - Camp Number 1672 (5th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Thursday 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Acacia Lodge AFM, Brookside Ave., North Augusta	COMMANDER: Henry Reese	H: (803) 279-3314	W: (864) 279-7294	E: reesehome@comcast.net
53.	Major Morgan/Hart's Battery	Springfield - Camp Number 1674 (8th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Tuesday, 7:30pm	MEETING PLACE: Springfield Museum, Railroad Ave., Springfield	COMMANDER: Tracy Sanders	H: (803) 258-9206	W:	E: carl.sanders@uap.com
54.	Captain Moses T. Fowler	Fountain Inn - Camp Number 1721 (2nd Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Monday, 6:00pm (2nd Monday in Dec)	MEETING PLACE: Fairview Presby. Church Social Hall between Fountain Inn & Hickory Tav	COMMANDER: Bobby Skipper	H: (864) 243-2891	W:	E: Skip7068@bellsouth.net
55.	10th Regt., South Carolina Volunteers	Prospect - Camp Number 1749 (7th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Tuesday, 7:30pm	MEETING PLACE: The "Store" 831 Owens Swamp Road, Johnsonville	COMMANDER: Joseph Thompson	H: (843) 386-9470	W: (803) 665-9944	E: jthompson@tcsa.org:
56.	General John Bratton	Winnsboro - Camp Number 1816 (3rd Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Tuesday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Red Hand Farm - WET Site, Jackson Creek Road, Winnsboro	COMMANDER: John Fogle	H: (803) 754-4817	W: (803) 776-1627	E: John_Fogle@bellsouth.net
57.	Hampton Redshirt Rider	Columbia - Camp Number 1876 (6th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 1st Monday each month - 6:30 p.m.	MEETING PLACE: Cayce Museum - 1800 12th St. - Cayce	ADJUTANT: Cliff Lee	H: (803) 739-1344	W:	E: shaglee@bellsouth.net:
58.	Hampton's Iron Scouts	Dentsville - Camp Number 1945 (6th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: Last Monday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Call the Camp Commander or Camp Adjutant for details	COMMANDER: Stephen Jones	H: (803) 791-7492	W: (803) 957-9034	E:
59.	General David F. Jamison	Spartanburg - Camp Number 1954 (2nd Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Thursday 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: Poplar Springs Fire Dept, HWY 290 E, Moore	COMMANDER: David C. Jones	H: (864) 576-4235	W:	E:
61.	First in Secession	Chesterfield - Camp Number 1963 (4th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 1st Thursday, 6:00 p.m.	MEETING PLACE: The Mayflower Seafood Restaurant, 309 Chesterfield Hwy, Cheraw	COMMANDER: Marcus Canipe	H: (843) 623-3327	W:	E: firstinsecession@hotmail.com
62.	Captain P.D. Gilreath	Greer - Camp Number 1987 (2nd Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Tuesday 7:00 p.m.	MEETING PLACE: Greer Public Library - room to the left of the front door	COMMANDER: John Lynn	H: (864) 848-1448	W: (864) 879-2758	E: johnerb@bellsouth.net
63.	Capt. A.T. Hartlee	Dillon - Camp Number 2010 (7th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Tuesday, 7:00pm	MEETING PLACE: American Legion - HWY 9 East, Dillon	COMMANDER: Arthur Quick	H: (843) 774-6821	W:	E: peedeearillery@bellsouth.net
64.	Rebels In Grey	Westminster - Camp Number 2027 (1st Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Thursday, 7:00 p.m.	MEETING PLACE: Toxaway Baptist Church- 4044 North Jenkins Bridge Rd, Westminster	COMMANDER: William Smith	H: (864) 647-5453	W: (864) 973-5404	E: rebels.in.grey@gmail.com
65.	Lynchess Creek Guards	Lynchburg - Camp Number 2045 (4th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Thursday 6:30 p.m.	MEETING PLACE: Compass Seafood Restaurant in Turbeville	COMMANDER: James Lane	H: (843) 346-2168	W:	E: jalston33@hotmail.com:
66.	South Carolina 17th Regiment	Hilda - Camp Number 2069 (8th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Monday, 7:00 p.m.	MEETING PLACE: Regimental Hall - Hwy 70- Hilda	COMMANDER: John Gray	H: (803) 259-3918	W: (803) 793-8794	E: tj3gray@bellsouth.net
67.	Manse Jolly	Piedmont - Camp Number 0006 (1st Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Saturday every other month	MEETING PLACE: Powdersville Library - 4 Civic Court - Easley	COMMANDER: Ron Wilson	H: (864) 605-1000	W: (800) 327-8606	E: wilsonr@atlanticbullionandcoin.com
68.	3rd SC Cavalry Co I of Edisto	Edisto Island - Camp Number 0131 (9th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 2nd Saturday 9:00 a.m.	MEETING PLACE: Po Pig BBQ, Highway 174, Edisto Island	COMMANDER: Cecil Gooding	H: (843) 889-4141	W:	E: cgooding2@hotmail.com
69.	Colonel Charles Jones Colcock	Ridgeland - Camp Number 2100 (9th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Thursday each month (Jan, Mar, etc.)	MEETING PLACE: Jasper's Front Porch - 100 James Taylor Drive- Ridgeland	COMMANDER: John Sutton	H: (843) 726-5591	W:	E: banjopicker66@hotmail.com
70.	Mechanized Cavalry Headquarters	Blacksburg - Camp Number 0212 (3rd Brigade)	MEETING TIME:	MEETING PLACE:	COMMANDER: Patrick Carroll	H: (864) 936-9220	W:	E: capt@southcarolinascvmechanizedcavalry.or
71.	Colonel E. T. Stackhouse	Latta - Camp Number 1576 (7th Brigade)	MEETING TIME: 3rd Monday	MEETING PLACE: Contact the Commander	COMMANDER: James Price	H: (843) 841-0267	W: (803) 774-2636	E: jprice@forestry.state.sc.usg

Like so many others in the agricultural South, John S. Thompkins grew up on his family's farm, learning to work the soil to provide for their needs. His parents, like theirs before them, instilled in John and his siblings strong family values, their religious beliefs, and the sense of pride in honest labor.

When the War to Prevent Southern Independence broke out, John and two of his brothers, James and Lexington, left their parents and younger siblings in Bucks community in Horry County, SC, to defend their rights and property. All three joined the 10th SC Infantry, Company C, along with other young men from their area.

Over the next four years they suffered extremely for their young nation; through hunger, cold, heat, disease, and lack of sufficient supplies. Yet they fought on through the Mississippi and Kentucky Campaigns in 's Brigade. They served with the Army of Tennessee from Murfreesboro to Atlanta, and at Chickamauga suffered many casualties. They endured Hood's winter campaign and saw ruthless action in North Carolina.



Miraculously all three Thompkins survived the war and returned to South Carolina. His two brothers bought land, married, and raised families of their own, while John returned to care for his ailing and now widowed mother and to run the family farm. He, too, would later marry and raise a family in the same location he grew up.

100 years have past, but the sacrifice these and other Southern men endured is not forgotten, remembered only through the hearts of their descendants. But what about those individuals, what about their independent stories? Their lone recognition is written on their tombstones in cemeteries all across this land. Can their story still be read and told? Are their markers still standing ready to reveal their history?

The recovery of John's final resting place, as shown here, brings his story back to life. But there are markers in public and church cemeteries that are being broken and destroyed as well. Will someone be able to see their history 100 years from now?

The South Carolina Division Guardian Program recognizes those members of the SCV who have chosen to protect and care for a Confederate soldier's grave. Are you willing to follow the Charge and really assume "the guardianship of his history?"

For information on the Guardian Program visit the SC Division web site or contact Steve Douglas at 803-854-2103 or at dougfam001@msn.com.



Celebrating 150 Years of Southern Pride

Heritage Success Story

Volunteers Give Battery Warren A Facelift



Before

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Battery Warren is a Civil War earthen fort built to blockade Union forces from moving up the Santee River. The name comes from Colonel Samuel Warren, a local Revolutionary War hero and previous owner of the land where the battery was built. The embankments of the old fort are still visible today, but had become significantly overgrown so that their contours were difficult to view.

In October, the Civil War re-enactment group, Santee Light Artillery most of who are members of General Ellison Capers Camp # 1212 in Moncks Corner, provided nine people with their own equipment and cleared off the vegetation that had grown up the earthworks that make up Battery Warren. Below are the photos of an incredible transformation.

For more information check out the USDA Forest Service website at <http://tinyurl.com/BatteryWarren>.

The following camp members helped with the Battery Warren clean-up: Randy Stewart, Nathan Daniel, Jean

Woods, Gary Mellard, Dave Mills, John Austin and Tony Wall. Additionally, 3 Compatriot's wives and one grand child assisted in the clean-up.



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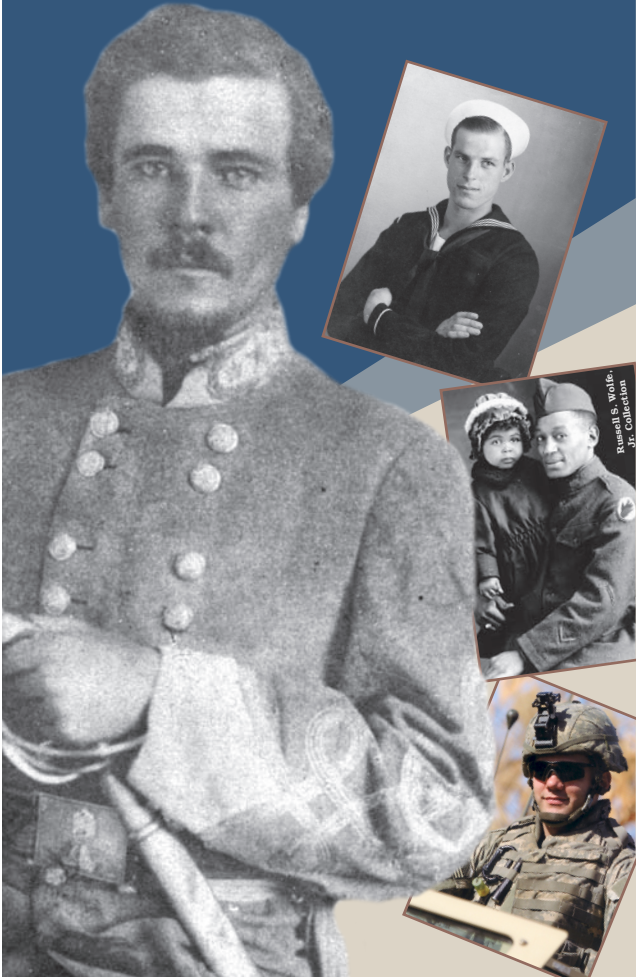


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Conservation Completed on 7th SC Battalion Flag

by Rachel H. Cockrell, Registrar
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The SC Confederate Relic Room and Military Museum is happy to announce the completion of conservation on another of its Civil War flags. The flag of the 7th South Carolina Battalion [aka Enfield Rifles, less frequently Nelson's] illustrates the flag pattern adopted by the state in January 1861. This is a navy blue silk flag with gold embroidery. The obverse shows a gold palmetto tree, a crescent moon covered with sequins, and a banner under the tree with the following text: "7th, S.C. BAT". The reverse shows 10 gold stars in a cross formation with Latin writing above and below, which reads "Sursum Corda Quid Non Pro Patria" ("Lift up your hearts. What would we not do for our Country.") The 'd' in 'corda' is sewn on backwards.

The 7th organized on February 22, 1862 with five companies and three other companies, F, G and H added soon after. Initial service was on the coast of SC until assigned to Hagood's Brigade, May-October 1864. With Hagood, the 7th fought at Swift Creek, Virginia through the Petersburg Siege. Finally, they served at Fort Fisher briefly and in the Carolinas Campaign. Mrs. James Cantey [Camilla Richardson] of Kershaw District gave her blue silk dress to make the flag.

Prior to conservation, the flag was losing many of the sequins, and some of the chenille embroidery. The fringe was breaking off so that little fragments of gold silk thread were scattered across the surface of the entire flag. The conservators were able to reattach many of



7th South Carolina Battalion prior to conservation

the sequins, repair the embroidery, and encapsulate the fringe to prevent further loss. The ground fabric was in relatively good shape, being a heavier weave than most of our silk flags, and only needed minor repair. The flag is now pressure mounted in a conservation frame and ready to go on exhibit.

Major funding for the conservation of this flag was provided by the SC State Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans through their "Rally to the Colours" campaign. We exhibited this flag at their state meeting in March, and will exhibit it when SC hosts the national SCV Reunion this summer.



South Carolina's Last Known Son of a Confederate Veteran



Real Son Andrew Roberts is presented a certificate by Battery White Camp #1568 Commander Vernon M. Parker.

Andrew David Roberts of Georgetown, South Carolina is the last known Real Son of a Confederate Veteran living in South Carolina. Battery White Camp #1568 welcomed him as an honored member in January 2004. Andrew's father, James Walter Roberts, was born in Horry County, South Carolina on April 15, 1846. Having just turned eighteen years of age, he was conscripted and reported to Battery Beaufort

on Sullivan's Island, South Carolina on April 28, 1864. He served in Company A, 1st South Carolina Infantry. His company received marching orders on July 18, 1864, to proceed to Fort Sumter. They were relieved from duty at Fort Sumter on September 14, 1864, having been under heavy fire a great portion of the time.

On March 19, 1865, Private Roberts was admitted to the C.S.A. General Hospital at Greensboro, North Carolina. He was paroled from the hospital on May 1, 1865.

Andrew is not sure when his father moved from Gallivants Ferry in Horry County to Georgetown. In 1877 he acquired a one hundred twenty-one acre farm in Georgetown and by 1892 he owned four large tracts totaling four hundred thirty-four acres which he farmed. They planted tobacco and rice and also

had a turpentine business. In 1888 he built the family home on one of these tracts where Andrew grew up. J. W. Roberts had three children by his first wife Elizabeth who died in 1916. He then married Victoria Altman on Valentine's Day, 1917. She was seventeen and he was seventy-one years of age. They had three children and their middle one, Andrew was born on January 9, 1926. James Walter Roberts died on, January 8, 1931, at the age of eighty-six. He was buried on Andrew's fifth birthday. Andrew's last memory of his father was seeing his coffin being moved from the front porch and placed into a T-Model Ford truck for the ride to the cemetery. James Walter Roberts was buried at Mt. Olive Cemetery in Georgetown. Andrew, like his father, served in the military when he was called to duty during World War II. He was drafted on April 22, 1944, at the age of eighteen. He served in the 86th Blackhawk Infantry Division and underwent basic training for seventeen weeks at Camp Blanding, Florida.


Since soldiers were not allowed to serve overseas until age nineteen, he was shipped to California for amphibious training. Here he was being trained to take part in an invasion of the Japanese islands in Yokohama Bay. However, this changed in December

1944, when Adolph Hitler mounted his ambitious Ardennes offensive known as the Battle of the Bulge. Andrew traveled by troop train from California to Boston and from there was shipped out to France. From France his troop was transported by rail to the Ruhr Valley in Germany where they engaged in combat on March 29, 1945. For the next thirty-four days they fought their way across Germany into Austria. After Germany surrendered on May 7, 1945, he was among the first troops to be shipped back to the states. After a thirty day furlough he was on his way by troop train to the west coast when the atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima on August 6, 1945. He then departed San Francisco by ship for the Philippines where he served with the occupation troops for about a year. While there, they protected saw mill workers from sniper attack because after the Japanese signed the treaty on September 2, 1945, many of them continued to fight. Andrew returned home safely in June 1946. Andrew worked at International Paper Company in Georgetown for thirty-eight years. He retired in 1980 and lives with his wife, Edrie, at Easy Street on Mingo Creek in Georgetown County. He is eighty-four years old.

Jimmy Elliott,
Adjutant Camp 1568

South Carolina Division Sons of Confederate Veterans

Policy on Hate Groups



The Sons of Confederate Veterans is not a hate group and The South Carolina Division, SCV does not knowingly allow anyone with ties to hate groups to join. The SCV has removed, and will remove, any member who expresses racist sentiments. Specifically, the following is not allowed and will be grounds for immediate dismissal:

- Membership in or attempting to recruit SCV members for racist organizations such as the Ku Klux Klan, American Nazi Party or National Alliance.
- Disseminating racist literature to fellow SCV members by mail or in person.
- Membership in any organization promoting the violent overthrow of the United States government.

ALL MEMBERS OF THE SCV MUST BE AWARE OF THESE RESTRICTIONS AS THEY WILL BE VIGOROUSLY ENFORCED.

Loving the South and defending its culture, symbols and heritage **DOES NOT MEAN HATE**. Many SCV members are descendents of a varied cross section of descendents of the old south, such as: Native-Americans, African-Americans, Hispanic and Asian-Americans, Jewish and Christian Confederates. These groups' contributions to Southern culture have made the South a beautiful and unique region. To deny their descendents membership in our organization would betray our principles and the very ancestors we honor. We welcome all descendants of Confederate Soldiers, Sailors and Marines or those who materially aided the South in its struggle for independence.

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Also there were many, many slave owners and not all of them were white. Some were black. So my detractors and African-Americans who so much want to live in the past should be careful because they might find out that their ancestors also owned slaves. If so, they must accept history for history's sake and move on.

No one has a right to be angry with anyone who loves their ancestors because many of our ancestors, I am sure, did a lot of bad things to a lot of people. We must embrace each other as brothers and sisters and people of God. We must accept each other, the good and the bad and move forward. This is the only civilized thing to do. This is what

our good Lord would have us do.

If anyone spent five minutes of their time to contrast the position of the NAACP and others who go out of their way to slander the good name of our ancestors with the position of Senator Ford, I think it would be abundantly clear to any honest person who the “haters” and “racists” are.

Thank you, Senator Ford, for reminding all of us that *we can*, in fact, “all get along,” and that the ongoing flag drama is unnecessary, counterproductive, and needs to end.



Awards, continued from page 2

Printed ELLISON CAPERS SCRAPBOOK AWARD, 2010

1st. Place Sandlapper Level	Eutaw Regiment Camp 1189
1st. Place Palmetto Level	Battery White Camp 1568
1st. Place Dixie Level	Secession Camp 4
2nd. Place Sandlapper Level	Palmetto Camp 22
2nd. Place Palmetto Level	10th Regimental S.C. Volunteers Camp 1749
2nd. Place Dixie Level	H.L. Hunley Camp 143
HM Sandlapper	Colonel E. T. Stackhouse Camp #1576

STEPHEN D. LEE HISTORICAL PROJECT AWARD, 2010

1st. Place Sandlapper Level	General Ellison Capers 1212
1st. Place Palmetto Level	Restoration of Battery Warren
1st. Place Dixie Level	Brigadier General Samuel McGowan 40 McGowan's Monument at the Bloody Angle
2nd. Place Sandlapper Level	Col. Henry Laurens Benbow 859
2nd. Place Palmetto Level	Oak Grove Cemetery Recovery and Restoration
2nd. Place Dixie Level	Secession Camp 4 Confederate Heritage Ride
Honorable	H.L. Hunley Camp 143 Southern Cross of Honor Ceremony Indian Fields Cemetery
Honorable:	Brigadier General Barnard E. Bee 1575 Battle of Aiken

DAVID KELLER CEMETERY BRIGADE CHALLENGE, 2010

1st. Place – Brigade:	7th Brigade Marion Camp #24, Litchfield Camp #124, Col. Henry Laurens Benbow Camp #859, Gen. P.G.T. Beauregard Camp #1458, Battery White Camp #1568, Col. E. T. Stackhouse Camp #1576, 10th Regt. SC Voluteers Camp #1749 Donnie Hayes - Commander
2nd Place - Brigade:	3rd Brigade Moses Wood Camp # Thomas Caldwell Camp # Walker Gaston Camp # Commander Kirk Carter

SOUTHERN CROSS GRAVES AWARD, 2010

1st. Place	Captain Moses Wood #125 Identifying and Submitting 1500 Confederate Soldiers
2nd. Place	10th Regimental SC Volunteers Compiled Confederate Graves Ledger for Williamsburg Co.

HERITAGE DEFENSE AWARD, 2010

Colonel Charles Jones Colcock Camp 2100

ROBERT E. LEE OUTSTANDING CAMP AWARD, 2010

1st. Place Sandlapper Level	Palmetto Camp 22
1st. Place Palmetto Level	Moultrie Camp 27
1st. Place Dixie Level	Secession Camp 4
2nd. Place Palmetto Level	Col. Henry Laurens Benbow 859
2nd. Place Dixie Level	H. L. Hunley Camp 143

CONVENTION ATTENDANCE AWARD, 2010

1st. Place Sandlapper Level	Palmetto Camp 22 – 28%
1st. Place Palmetto Level	Joseph B. Kershaw Camp 82 – 47.22%
1st. Place Dixie Level	H.L. Hunley Camp - 7.69%

JEFFERSON DAVIS COMMANDERS AWARD, 2010

General Ellison Capers Camp 1212

Individual Awards

John Amasa May
Lifetime Achievement Award

J.J. Fox
Ron Hamilton

Stonewall Jackson
Individual Contribution Award

Elmore Marlow
Gene Hogan
James Gamble

Wade Hampton Meritorious Service

Wade Scruggs
Ken Thrasher
Scott James

John Albert Broadus Chaplain Award

Allen Kelly

Past CiC Sullivan asked us in his farewell column in the Confederate Veteran: *Do you think the SCV will be still around in fifty years?* We are all confident it will. Because we believe in God and we know the Confederate Army in the past and the SCV of today will conform together in the Army of the Lord.

Let's come to the point by remembering the great example: how the Confederate battle flag became a token of friendship and mutual sympathy during the memorial for Heros von Borcke in September 2008.

The speech of Jerzek Zigmund, the mayor of the little Polish village of Gyzin, formerly Giessenbrügge, Heros homestead, a town that saw destruction and death, displacement and hate at the end of WW II, was full of respect to the memory of a German that had become an American, an adopted son of Virginia, and now rests in Polish soil. During the ceremony, the SCV, MOS&B and UDC representatives could feel the spirit of peace and reconciliation in friendship that was in the air which waved the battle flag.

they were fighting.

Compatriot Joe Payne, Commander of the SC MOS&B told how on August 30, during the 48th Annual Reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, which took place at the Columbia Hotel in Columbia, SC, 17 Commissioned Confederate Officers met with 47 descendents of Confederate Officers and organized the MOS&B. These men felt that Confederate Officers and their descendents needed their own organization, which would include members of the Confederate States Congress. Commander Payne invited all present who met these requirement to join this organization. As is typical of Joe Payne, he reminded us that we are under an all out effort by our media, the world of entertainment and the NAACP, the NCAA, as well as others who would commit genocide against all things Confederate and we must rise to the occasion and defeat these malignant schemes.

Mrs. Ashley Stevens, SC Society of the Order of the Confederate Rose invited Southern ladies to visit her organization, and told that they now had groups that wore period dresses and mourning dresses on appropriate occasions including memorial events and Confederate Balls.



Keynote speaker ANV Councilman Gene Hogan said that times are changing and we must

It was far more than a short truce of mutual respect, there was the same *spirit of brotherhood and peace* between Germans and Polish as when President Roosevelt had addressed the 1938 Veterans of the Blue and the Gray during the 75th Gettysburg anniversary reunion. The same spirit President Eisenhower expressed at the eve of the 1960 Centennial. If two European peoples can reunite at local level, **coming together in love under the Confederate battle flag** - why does this seem impossible among Americans today? (we don't say between North and South because this geographical line no longer exists, since the enemy is already deep in Southern institutions...). The answer seems clear: the forces of evil want destruction, not dialogue, they want triumph, not truce, and they want annihilation, not mutual respect. Lost values can only be restored in the spirit of God. So be confident, fight the righteous fight and final victory will be ours, if not on earth, surely in Heaven.

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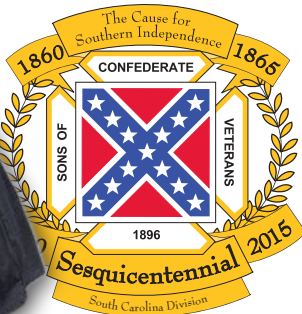
find new ways to honor our heroes. He said the main reason for our being there was to honor our men in grey and tell our children and grand children the truth about these great men who fought so valiantly for our Southland. Hogan said



he knew we were using better educational efforts to reach our young people than in the past. He ended by saying we are here to honor our gallant soldiers. It is these soldiers who are most important.

We then had more great Southern music from “Origins of Bluegrass” followed by military salutes, first the rifle salute by the Palmetto Battalion, and then came an awesome cannon salute to our ancestors. As the cannons were fired from the State House grounds, the ground shook and the very loud cannon roar sent chill bumps up and down our spines. The stirring sound of the cannons made us all very proud of our Confederate ancestors and very proud to be Southerners ourselves.

The program ended with the singing of “Dixie,” the Benediction by Chaplain Temples and the sounding “Taps” and “Tattoo” by Bugler Roy Cloninger.



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“[Lincoln] was an infidel of the radical type...never mentioned the name of Jesus, except to scorn and detest the idea of a miraculous conception.”

– **William Herndon, law partner to Abraham Lincoln**

“In that part of the Union where the Negroes are no longer slaves, have they become closer to whites? Everyone who has lived in the United States will have noticed just the opposite. Race prejudice seems stronger in those states that have abolished slavery than in those where it still exists, and nowhere is it more intolerant than in those states where slavery was never known.”

– **Alexis De Tocqueville (1805-1859), *Democracy in America***

“The Northern onslaught upon slavery is no more than a piece of specious humbug designed to conceal its desire for economic control of the Southern States.”

– **Charles Dickens, 1862**

“Any reasonable creature may know, if willing, that the North hates the Negro, and that until it was convenient to make a pretence that sympathy with him was the cause of the war, it hated the abolitionists and derided them up hill and down dale... As to Secession being Rebellion, it is distinctly possible by state papers that Washington considered it no such thing – that Massachusetts, now loudest against it, has itself asserted its right to secede, again and again.”

– **Charles Dickens**

“The Framers had a deathly fear of federal government abuse. They saw State sovereignty as a protection. That’s why they gave us the 9th and 10th Amendments. They saw secession as the ultimate protection against Washington tyranny.”

– **Dr. Walter Williams**

“Today’s blacks clearly benefited from slavery. My wealth is far greater and I have far greater liberties than if my ancestors had remained in Africa.”

– **Dr. Walter Williams**

“There is a class of colored people who make a business of keeping the troubles, the wrongs and the hardships of the Negro race before the public. Having learned that they are able to make a living out of their troubles, they have grown into the settled habit of advertising their wrongs — partly because they want sympathy and partly because it pays. Some of these people do not want the Negro to lose his grievances, because they do not want to lose their jobs.”

– **Booker T. Washington**

“Though I was but little more than a youth during the period of Reconstruction, I had the feeling that mistakes were being made, and that things could not remain in the condition that they were in then very long. I felt that the Reconstruction policy, so far as it related to my race, was in a large measure on a false foundation, was artificial and forced. In many cases it seemed to me that the ignorance of my race was being used as a tool with which to help white men into office, and that there was an element in the North which wanted to punish

the Southern white men by forcing the Negro into positions over the heads of the Southern whites. I felt that the Negro would be the one to suffer for this in the end. Besides, the general political agitation drew the attention of our people away from the more fundamental matters of perfecting themselves in the industries at their doors and in securing property. “

– **Booker T. Washington, *Up From Slavery***

“We of the North couldn’t make slavery pay, so we are convinced that it is the sum of all villainy. Our plan is more profitable; we take care of no children or sick people, except as paupers, while the owners of slaves have to provide for them from birth to death. So how we view the issue depends on what kind of glasses we use. If we of the North were called upon to endure one half as much as the Southern people and soldiers do, we would abandon the cause and let the Southern Confederacy be established. We pronounce their cause unholy, but they consider it sacred enough to suffer and die for. Our forefathers in the Revolutionary struggle could not have endured more than these Rebels. A nation preserved with liberty trampled underfoot is much worse than a nation in fragments but with the spirit of liberty still alive. Southerners persistently claim that their rebellion is for the purpose of preserving this form of government.”

– **Private John H. Haley, Seventeenth Maine Regiment, USA**

“Union depends for its continuance on the free consent and will of the sovereign people of each state, and when that consent and will is withdrawn on either part, their Union is gone. A state coerced to remain in the Union is a subject province and can never be a co-equal member of the American Union.”

– **Bangor (Maine) *Daily Union* editorial, 13 November 1860**

“Like most war leaders, he [Lincoln] grossly distorted and exaggerated the motives of his enemy. He constantly insisted that the South wanted to ‘destroy’ the Union, when it merely wanted to withdraw from it. He called honorable men like Jefferson Davis and Robert E. Lee ‘traitors,’ though they never betrayed anyone in their lives. He accused the South of ‘aggression,’ when it was the South that was being invaded, and truly destroyed, by Union armies. Having assured the country that he had neither the power nor the inclination to disturb slavery, Lincoln made the destruction of slavery his lofty war aim in the middle of the war.”

– **Joseph Sobran**

“Lincoln’s war implied, and the Gettysburg Address set to words, a firm message to the States of the Union - ‘I love you all, and if you leave me, I’ll hunt you down and kill you.’ The Address was not the sagely comments of a wise statesman, rather the vain, obsessive rantings of a power-hungry demon engaging in a blood-thirsty mission of self-aggrandizement, no matter the volume of corpses required to attain it.”

– **Lewis Goldberg**



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Lt. Gen. Stephen Dill Lee
Commander General, United Confederate Veterans Reunion at New Orleans, 1906



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